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## Tulare County Association of Governments

August 15, 2005

Steve Curti, FTIP Coordinator  
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Dear Mr. Curti:

Tulare County Association of Governments approves the following Amendment to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program. The following Amendment will be known as **Amendment No. 11** to the 2004 FTIP amending the **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ)**. This is an administrative amendment (requiring no board action based on TCAG FTIP Amendment Policy approved by TCAG Board on November 23, 1998. This amendment does not affect any funds, or transfer funds but correct project description.

“The project(s) included in the FTIP by this amendment has/have been demonstrated to satisfy the requirements of 40 CFR 93.118 and 93.119 without a new regional emissions analysis in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR 93.122(e)(2)(ii). Accordingly, the Project(s) has/have been included in the regional emissions analysis of the Regional Transportation plan’s regional emissions at the time of the transportation plan’s conformity determination, and that the design concept, scope, and implementation schedule of the project(s) is/are not significantly different from that described in the transportation plan. In addition, the funding or the project(s) will not delay the implementation of projects in the metropolitan transportation plan or FTIP.”

### **Formal Amendment No 11**

#### **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ Program)**

The City of Lindsay has requested an administrative amendment to the CMAQ program. Their project involving “CNG fueling device” (TUL04-044) is changing to “CNG fueling station” there are no financial changes to this project only a description correction.

**CMAQ Project**

**Description Change CMAQ-TUL04-044-City of Lindsay: City of Lindsay CNG Fueling Station (CNG Fueling Station)(Change from CNG Fueling Device)..** The programmed project total is \$256,000 and is distributed as follows:

1. FY 04/05 Con \$223,000 (loc \$26,000, Fed \$197,000)
2. FY 05/06 Con \$33,000 (loc \$4,000, Fed \$29,000)

Thank you for your assistance with the FTIP amendment process. If you have any questions regarding these changes and additions, please contact Ted Smalley or Eddie Wendt at (559) 733-6653, extension 4888.

Sincerely,



Ted Smalley or Eddie Wendt  
TCAG Staff

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cc: Rachel Falsetti, Caltrans  
Mayela Sosa, FHWA  
Alex Smith, FTA  
Doug Thompson, CAPCD  
Marvin Johnson, Caltrans

**Tulare County Association of Governments - Federal Transportation Improvement Program**  
**(Dollars in Whole)**  
**Local Highway System**

DIST: 06	COUNTY: Tulare County	TITLE (DESCRIPTION):	MPO Aprv: / /
ROUTE:	PM:	City of Lindsay CNG Fueling Station (CNG Fueling Station)	State Aprv: / /
PPNO:	KP:		Federal Aprv: / /
EA:	MPO ID: TUL04-044		
CTIPS ID: 215-0000-0233			
IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Lindsay, City of			EPA TABLE II or III EXEMPT CATEGORY: Non construction related activities.

				PE						
3	Active	08/12/2005	EWENDT	Amendment - Other (Explain ==>)	11	256,000				
2	Official	04/18/2005	EWENDT	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	8	256,000				
1	Official	11/15/2004	EWENDT	Amendment - New Project	4	33,000				
				PRIOR	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	BEYOND TOTAL
• Fund Source 1 of 2				PE						
• Fund Type: Congestion Mitigation				RW						
• Funding Agency: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)				CON	197,000	29,000				226,000
TOTAL										
				PRIOR			06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10 BEYOND
• Fund Source 2 of 2				PE						
• Fund Type: City Funds				RW						
• Funding Agency: Lindsay, City of				CON	26,000	4,000				30,000
TOTAL										
<b>Project Total</b>				PRIOR			06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10 BEYOND
				PE						
				RW						
				CON	223,000	33,000				256,000
TOTAL					223,000	33,000				256,000

**Comments:**

\*\*\*\*\* Version 2 - 08/12/2005 \*\*\*\*\*Description Change from CNG Fueling Device to Station. Requested by Kindon Meik City of Lindsay via Ted Smalley by e-mail. EW  
\*\*\*\*\* Version 2 - 04/01/2005 \*\*\*\*\*Requested by the City of Lindsay through Ted Smalley, funding coming from CMAQ non-attainment area extra funding.-EW  
\*\*\*\*\* Version 1 - 10/29/2004 \*\*\*\*\*Requested by the City of Lindsay Letter October 21, 2004, by  
Scot Townsend. -EW

## 2004 FTIP AMENDMENT 11

**From:** Ted Smalley  
**To:** Kindon Meik; Scott Cochran  
**Date:** 8/10/2005 8:41:04 AM  
**Subject:** Re:

No We never received notice of what the final description needed to be.

I will have Eddie handle fix Friday

Thanks,  
Ted

>>> "Kindon Meik" <kmeik@lindsay.ca.us> 08/09/05 11:35 AM >>>  
Scott and Ted,

Can you tell me if the description on the FTIP for project Tul04-044 has been changed from "CNG fueling device" to "CNG fueling station"?

Thank you,

Kindon

**CC:** Eddie Wendt

Tulare County Association of Governments

**AGENDA ITEM**

Date: November 23, 1998

Item Number: IV - C

**SUBJECT:**

1998 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

**REQUEST(S):**

Information

**SUMMARY:**

The Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) is updated every two years by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and by the federal funding agencies. The FTIP includes all transportation projects or identified phases of projects, (including pedestrian walkways, bicycle transportation facilities and transportation enhancement projects) within a metropolitan planning area (Tulare County). Funding for the FTIP is under title 23, U.S.C. and Federal Transit Act. All projects using federal funds must be adopted or amended into the FTIP in order for Tulare County agencies to receive state and federal funds for transportation projects.

In the past, FTIP amendments have been processed on an "as needed basis." However, this practice has led to an excessive number of amendments (an average one every two months). In an effort to streamline the FTIP process, staff proposes the attached FTIP Amendment and Local Adjustment Policy.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Reject policy and continue to process FTIP amendments as received.

**STAFF SIGN OFF:**

Douglas Wilson, Executive Secretary

By: 

Jim Larsen, Assistant Executive Secretary

**Tulare County Association of Governments'**  
**Federal Transportation Improvement Program**  
**Amendment and Local Adjustment Policy**

Amendments or Local Adjustments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) must be submitted to TCAG staff in writing (via FAX or Mail). Request must show all recommended changes with a brief description of the action. TCAG staff will determine if a Local Adjustment or an Amendment is necessary for the requested action. The following criteria must be met for a Local Adjustment, which does not require federal approval:

1. Does not adversely affect air quality.
2. Does not adversely impact financial constraint. If proposed costs are to be revised, the funds must be budgeted and available, per proposal. The total change in state or federal funds must not change by more than 20%.
3. Does not result in major scope changes. These proposals can have "minor" scope changes. Major scope changes typically have the ability to invalidate the financial plan or require new conformity determination.
4. Does not interfere with the timely implementation of Transportation Control measures (TCMs).

If the preceding criteria is met for a Local Adjustment TCAG staff will process a local adjustment on a monthly basis for the requesting agency. Local adjustments do not require TCAG Board approval, state approval, or federal approval. The request is processed and is submitted by TCAG staff to Caltrans to process the changes. If the Local Adjustment Criteria is not met, a Formal Amendment must be processed by TCAG and submitted to the required state and federal agencies.

FTIP amendments will be process quarterly during the following months:

1. July
2. October
3. January
4. April

If the requesting agency is in jeopardy of losing funds an emergency amendment may be submitted in writing to TCAG staff two weeks prior to the next earliest TCAG Board meeting. TCAG staff will process the requested Amendment and submit it to the required state and federal agencies.